# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

WASHINGTON, SC.

SUPERIOR COURT

CHAMPION MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF KEY BANK, USA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CHAMPION MORTGAGE CO., INC.,

Plaintiff

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DANIEL L. POKORSKI a/k/a DAN L.
POKORSKI, ROSEMARIE A. POKORSKI
a/k/a ROSE A. POKORSKI,
COMMISIONER INTERNAL REVENUE
SERVICE, STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DIVISION OF TAXATION, CAROL
SMITH, FITZ-SAR, LLC, VERMONT
STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION,
PELLEGRINO LANDSCAPING & TREE
SERVICE, PETROLEUM HEAT & POWER
CO., INC. d/b/a DeBLOIS OIL COMPANY,
THE WESTERLY HOSPITAL, VALERIE
BUROS, and DIANA W. SARGENT,
Defendants

C.A. No. 05 - 0151

# COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND INTERPLEADER PARTIES

1. Plaintiff Champion Mortgage, a Division of Key Bank, USA National Association, as successor in interest to Champion Mortgage Co., Inc., is a Minnesota corporation with a principal place of business located in Mendota Heights, Minnesota (hereinafter, "Champion").



- · 10. Defendant Petroleum Heat & Power Co., Inc. d/b/a DeBlois Oil Company (hereinafter, "Petroleum Heat") is a Rhode Island corporation that, upon information and belief, has a principal place of business located at 2187 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.
- Defendant The Westerly Hospital (hereinafter, the "Hospital") is a Rhode Island 11. corporation with a principal place of business located at 25 Wells Street, Westerly, Rhode Island.
- 12. Defendant Valerie Buros (hereinafter, "Ms. Buros") is an individual who, upon information and belief had a last known address of Bainbridge Island, Washington.
- 13. Defendant Diana W. Sargent (hereinafter, "Ms. Sargent") is an individual who, upon information and belief had a last known address of Westerly, Rhode Island.

#### **FACTS**

- 14. On or about August 22, 1997, the Borrowers executed a promissory note (the "Note") in the original principal amount of Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$47,100.00) in favor of Champion Mortgage Co., Inc. (hereinafter, "Champion Mortgage").
- 15. On or about August 22, 1997, as security for payment of the Note, the Borrowers executed and delivered to Champion Mortgage a first mortgage (the "Mortgage") on the real estate and improvements located at 151 East Avenue, Westerly, Rhode Island (the "Property"). The Mortgage was recorded in the Land Evidence Records of the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island in Book 660 at Page 31. A true and accurate copy of the Mortgage is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A.
- 16. On or about February 25, 1998, Champion Mortgage assigned the Mortgage to Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee for Champion Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-2 (hereinafter, "Harris Trust") and recorded said assignment in the Land Evidence Records of the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island on April 28, 1998 in Book 698 at Page 177 (the "Harris

Assignment"). A true and accurate copy of the Harris Assignment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>.

- 17. On or about April 8, 2004, the Harris Trust assigned the Mortgage to Champion and recorded said assignment in the Land Evidence Records of the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island on April 19, 2004 in Book 1276 at Page 46 (the "Key Bank Assignment"). A true and accurate copy of the Champion Assignment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit C.
  - 18. Events of default occurred pursuant to the terms of the Note and Mortgage.
- 19. As a result of said defaults, Champion commenced foreclosure proceedings pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Mortgage and in accordance with Rhode Island law, which resulted in the Property being sold to a third party on July 9, 2004 for the sum of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$216,000.00). After payment of foreclosure-related expenses and the balance due and owing pursuant to the Note and Mortgage, Champion is holding surplus proceeds from said foreclosure sale in the amount of One Hundred Forty Thousand Fifty-Five and 37/100 Dollars (\$148,055.37) for distribution to the persons or entities entitled thereto (the "Surplus Proceeds").
- 20. According to a title report performed on behalf of Champion, the parties holding an interest in the Property as shown in the Land Evidence Records for the Town of Westerly at the time of the foreclosure were as follows:
  - (a) Mortgage from Rosemarie A. Pokorski to Carol Smith in the sum of Thirty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$35,000.00) dated May 24, 2002, recorded May 24, 2002 at 12:35 p.m. in Book 1004 at Page 263.
  - (b) Notice of Federal Tax Lien dated March 13, 1998, recorded March 24, 1998 at 10:20 a.m. in Book 691 at Page 247.
  - (c) Notice of Tax Lien, State of Rhode Island Division of Taxation dated November 10, 1998 recorded November 16, 1998 at 12:02 p.m. in Book

734 at Page 283.

- (d) Notice of Federal Tax Lien dated November 21, 1998, recorded November 23, 1998 at 9:16 a.m. in Book 735 at Page 320.
- (e) Notice of Federal Tax Lien dated April 25, 2000 recorded May 2, 2000 at 11:51 a.m. in Book 826 at Page 309.
- (f) Execution Fitz-Sar LLC v. Daniel Pokorski and Rosemarie Pokorski dated September 6, 2000 recorded November 28, 2000 at 11:53 a.m. in Book 859 at Page 240.
- (g) Execution Vermont Student Assistance Corporation v. Daniel L. Pokorski dated June 20, 2000 recorded December 12, 2000 at 2:15 p.m. in Book 862 at Page 219.
- (h) Notice of Tax Lien State of Rhode Island dated April 3, 2001 recorded April 10, 2001 at 1:06 p.m. in Book 884 at Page 371.
- (i) Execution Pellegrino Landscaping Tree Service v. Rose Pokorski dated April 5, 2001, recorded June 3, 2002 at 2:16 p.m. in Book 961 at Page 98.
- (j) Execution Petroleum Heat & Power Co., Inc. d/b/a Deblois Oil Company v. Rosemary Pokorski dated April 5, 2001 recorded June 3, 2002 at 2:16 p.m. in Book 961 at Page 98.
- (k) Execution Petroleum Heat & Power Co., Inc. d/b/a Deblois Oil Company v. Rosemary Pokorski dated April 23, 2002 recorded June 19, 2002 at 9:23 a.m. in Book 1012 at Page 173.
- (l) Execution <u>The Westerly Hospital v. Rosemarie Pokorski</u> dated May 3, 2002, recorded July 19, 2002 at 9:42 a.m. in Book 1019 at Page 260.
- (m) Execution Valerie Buros v. Rosemarie A. Pokorski and Daniel L. Pokorski dated October 24, 2002 recorded January 15, 2003 at 10:06 a.m. in Book 1087 at Page 29.
- (n) Execution <u>Diana W. Sargent v. Rose Pokorski a/k/a Rosemarie Pokorski</u> dated March 31, 2003 recorded August 28, 2003 at 12:53 p.m. in Book 1194 at Page 188.
- (o) Notice of Tax Lien State of Rhode Island Division of Taxation dated October 21, 2003 recorded October 29, 2003 at 2:37 p.m. in Book 1220 at Page 242.

# **COUNT I Declaratory Judgment**

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- Champion repeats and re-alleges Paragraphs 1 through 20 as if each were more 21. fully set forth herein.
- 22. Champion believes that it runs a risk that adverse claims to the Surplus Proceeds may be made by Defendants in this action.
- 23. Champion is unaware of the respective rights of the Defendants and is unable to determine to whom the funds are justly due and payable.
- 24. Champion's only claim in interest in the Surplus Proceeds is to have the costs and expenses that are associated with this action paid from the Surplus Proceeds. It has at all times been willing to pay the Surplus Proceeds to such entities or persons as should lawfully be entitled to receive the same and to whom it could safely and without hazard to itself pay the same, and hereby offers to transfer the Surplus Proceeds to this Court at such time and under such conditions as the Court may order and direct.

WHEREFORE, Champion respectfully prays as follows:

- Α. That this Court enter an Order restraining the Defendants from commencing in any court any action against Champion or its attorneys wherein the Defendants in any manner seek to recover the Surplus Proceeds that are now in possession of Champion or any part thereof, or to recover from the Champion or its attorneys any damages for failure of Champion to deliver the Surplus Proceeds to the Defendants;
- В. That this Court enter an Order releasing and discharging Champion and its attorneys from any and all liability to the Defendants in this cause of action on account of any of the matters contained herein:

- C. That this Court determine the amount of reasonable attorneys' fees to be paid to the attorneys of Champion for their services rendered in this cause of action and enter an order authorizing and directing said attorneys' fees, and all court costs and expenses incurred by Champion, to be paid out of the Surplus Proceeds to Champion; and
  - D. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

# COUNT II Interpleader

- 25. Champion repeats and re-alleges paragraph 1-24 as if each were more fully set forth herein.
- 26. Champion does not in any respect collude with any of the Defendants concerning the matters in controversy in this cause of action. Champion is not in any matter indemnified by any one or more of the Defendants. Champion has not brought this cause of action at the request of any one or more of the Defendants, but has filed the same of its free will to avoid being harassed and subjected to multiple costs and liability, and to avoid unnecessary litigation concerning the matters contained herein.
- 27. This cause of action for interpleader is Champion's only means of protecting itself from multiple litigation.

WHEREFORE, Champion respectfully prays as follows:

- Α. That this Court enter an Order requiring the Defendants to interplead in this cause and to settle their respective rights to the Surplus Proceeds;
- В. That this Court enter an Order authorizing and directing Champion to pay into the Registry of the Court the Surplus Proceeds in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Fifty-Five and 37/100 Dollars (\$148,055,37), less the reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Bank in connection with this action;

- That upon payment of the remaining Surplus Proceeds to the Registry of the C. Court, and after satisfaction of subparagraph B above, Champion be dismissed from this action; and
  - For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper. D.

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- Funds for Taxes and Insurance. Subject to applicable law or to a written walver by Lender Borrower shell pay to Lender on the day monthly payments are due under the Note, until the Note is paid in full, a sum ("Funda") for: (a) yearly texes and essessments which may attain priority over this Security instrument as a lien on the Property; (b) yearly leasehold payments or ground rents on the Property, if any; (c) yearly hezard or property insurance premiuma: (d) yearly flood insurance premiums, if any; (e) yearly mortgage insurance premiums, If any; and (f) any sume payable by Borrower to Lender, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 8, in New of the payment of mortgage insurance premiume. These items are called "Escraw items". Lander may, at any time, collect and hold funds in an amount not to exceed the maximum amount selender (or a lederally related mortgage toon may require for Borrower's escrow account under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Apt of 1974 as emended from time to time, 12 U.S.C. \$ 2601 of sog. ("RESPA"), unless another low that applies to the funds sets a leaser emount, it so, Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the lesser amount. Lander may estimate the amount of Funds due on the beels of current data and responsible estimates of expenditures of future Escrow Items or otherwise in accordance with applicable law. Borrower shall not be obligated to make such payments of Funds to Lender to the extent that Borrower makes payment of such Escrow Items to the holder or servicer of a mortgage encumbering the Property which has priority over this Security instrument and which was approved by Lander at the time of origination of this Security Instrument (an "Approved Senior Security Instrument").

The Funds shall be held in an institution whose deposits are insured by a federal agency, instrumentality, of entity findluding Lender, if Lender is such an institution) or in any Federal Home Loan Bank. Lender shall apply the Funds to pay the Eactow Items. Lender may not charge Borrower for holding and applying the Funds, ennually analyzing the eagrow account, of verifying the Escrow Items, unless Lander pays Borrower Interest on the Funds and applicable law permits Lender to make such a therge. However, Lander may require Borrower to pay a onetime theres for an independent real estate tax reporting service used by Lender in connection with this town, unless applicable law provides otherwise. Unless an agreement is made or applicable law requires interest to be pold, Lender shall not be required to pay Borrower any interest or sarnings on the Funds. Borrower and Lender may egree in writing, however, that interest shall be paid on the Funds. Lender shall give to Borrower, without charge, an annual accounting of the Funds, showing credits and dahle to the Funds and the purpose for which each debit to the Funds was made. The Funds are pledged as additional security for all sums secured by this Security

If the Funds held by Lender exceed the amounts permitted to be held by applicable law, Lender shell account to Borrower for the excess Funds in accordance with the requirements of applicable law. If the amount of the funds held by Lender at any time is not sufficient to pay the Escrow Items when due, Lender may so notify Borrower in writing, and, in such case Borrower shall pay to Lender the amount necessary to make up the deficiency. Borrower shall make up the deficiency in no more than twelve monthly payments, at Lender's sole discretion.

Upon payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument, Lender shall promptly refund to Borrower any Funds held by Lender. H, under paragraph 19, Lender shall acquire or self the Property, Lender, prior to the scaulaition or sale of the Property, shall apply any Funds held by Lender of the time of sequilition or sale on a credit against the sums secured by this Security Instrument.

- Application of Payments. Unless applicable law provides otherwise, all payments received by Lender under paragraphs 1 and 2 shell be applied: first, to any prepayment charges due under the Note; second, to amounts payable under paragraph 2; third, to interest due; fourth, to principal due; and lest, to any late charges due under the Note.
- Charges; Liena; Approved Sanior Security Instrument. Borrower shall pay or cause to be paid, when due, all taxes, assessments, charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Property which may attain priority over this Seourity instrument, and leasehold payments or ground rents, if any. Bestower shall pay these obligations in the manner provided in peragraph 2, or if not paid in that manner, Borrower shall pay them on time directly to the person oward payment. Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lander all notices of amounts to be paid under this paragraph. If Borrower makes these payments directly, Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender resolpts evidencing the payments. Borrower covenants and agrees to timely perform all of Borrower's obligations under any Approved Senior Security instrument, including by way of example and not by way of limitation. Borrower's obligation to make all payments when due under such Approved Senior Security instrument and the note or other obligation secured thereby.

Borrower shall promptly discharge any ilen which has priority over this Security instrument jother than an Approved Senior Security Instrument) unless Borrower; (a) agrees in writing to the payment of the obligation secured by the lien in a manner acceptable to Lender; (b) contests in good faith the lien by, or delends against enforcement of the lien in, legal proceedings which in the Lander's opinion operate to prevent the enforcement of the lien; or (a) secures from the holder of the lien an agreement satisfactory to Lender subordinating the lien to this Security Instrument. If Lander determines that any part of the Property is subject to a lien which may attain priority over this Security Instrument, Lender may give Sorrower a notice Identifying the iten. Borrower shall satisfy the flen or take one or more of the actions set forth above within 10 days of the giving of notice.

Hazard or Property Insurance. Borrower shall keep the improvements now existing or hereafter erected on the Property Insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage" and any other hezards, including floods or flooding, for which Lender or applicable law requires insurance. This insurance shall be maintained in the amounts and for the pariods that Lander, or applicable law, requires. The insurance carrier providing the insurance shall be chosen by Borrower subject to Lender's approval which shall not be

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All insurance policies and renewels shall be acceptable to Lender and shall include a standard morrgage clause. Lender shall have the right to hold the policies and renewals. If Lander requires, Borrower shall promptly give to Lender all receipts of peld premiums and renewal notices. In the event of loss, Borrower shall give prompt notice to the insurance carrier and Lender. Lender may make proof of loss if not made promptly by Borrower.

Unless Lender and Barrawer atherwise egree in writing, and subject to the rights of the holder of any Approved Senior Security Instrument, insurance proceeds shall be applied to restoration or repair of the Property damaged, if the restoration or repair is economically lessible and Lander's security is not lessened. If the restoration or repok is not aconomically fassible or Lender's security would be leasehed, the insurence proceeds shall be applied, subject to the rights of the holder of any Approvad Senior Security Instrument, to the sume secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. If Borrower shandons the Property, or does not answer within 30 days a notice from Lander that the insurance carrier has ollered to settle a claim, then Lender, subject to the rights of the holder of any Approved Senior Becurity instrument, may collect the insurance proceeds. Lender may use the proceeds received by Lender to repair of restore the Property or to pay sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due. The 30-day period will begin when the notice is given.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of the payments. If under paragraph 19 the Property is acquired by Landar, Borrower's right to any insurance policies and proceeds resulting from damage to the Property prior to the acquisition shall pass to Lender to the extent of the sums secured by this Security Instrument immediately prior to the acquisition.

- Occupaticy, Preservation, Maintenance and Protection of the Property; Borrower's Loan Application; Leaseholds. Unless Borrower's losn application and the Lender's losn approval provided that the Property was not required to be occupied as Borrower's principal residence, Borrower shall occupy, establish, and use the Property as Borrower's principal residence within eixty days after the execution of this Speurity Instrument and shall continue to occupy the Property as Borrower's principal residence for at least one year after the date of occupancy, unless Lender atherwise agrees in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, or unless extenunting circumstances exist which are bayond Borrower's control. Borrower shall not destray, damage or impels the Property, allow the Property to deteriorate, or commit waste on the Property. Borrower shall be in default if any localture action or proceeding, whether civil or criminal, is begun that in Lendar's good faith jurgment could result in Torfelture of the Property or otherwise materially impair the lief created by this Security instrument or Lander's security interest. Borrower may cure such a default and reinstate, by causing the action or proceeding to be dismissed with a ruling that, in Lender's good faith determination, precludes forfeiture of the Borrower's interest in the fromerty or other material impairment of the Sen created by this Security Instrument or Lender's security interest. Borrower shall also be in default if Borrower, during the loan application process, gave materially felse or inaccurate information or statements to Lender (or falled to provide Lender with any material information) in connection with the toan evidenced by the Note, Including, but not limited to, representations concerning Borrower's occupancy of the Property as a principal residence. If this Security Instrument is on a leasehold, Borrower shell comply with all the provisions of the lease. If Borrower acquires fee title to the Property, the lessehold and the fea title shall not merge unless Lender agrees to the merger in writing.
- Protection of Lender's Rights in the Property. If Borrower falls to perform the covenants and agreements contained in this Security Instrument, or there is a legal proceeding that may significantly affect Lender's rights in the Property lauch as a proceeding in bankruptcy, probate, for condemnation or forfeiture or to enforce laws or regulations), then Lender may do and pay for whatever is necessary to protect the value of the Property and Lender's rights in the Property. Lender's actions may include paying any sums secured by a lien which has priority over this Security Instrument, paying real extete taxes, flood insurance and mortgage insurance premiums, appearing in court, paying reasonable attorneys' fees, entering on the Property to make repairs, and paying property insurance pramiums. Although Lender may take action under this paragraph 7, Lender does not heve to do so.

Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this persyraph 7 shall become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Security Instrument. Unless Borrower and Lender agree to other terms of payment, these amounts shall bear interest from the date of disbursement at the Note rate and shall be payable, with interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment.

Mortgage insurance. If Lender required mortgage insurance as a condition of making the loan evidenced by the Note and secured by this Security Instrument, Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain the mortgage insurance in effect. If, for any reason, the mortgage insurance coverage required by lender lapses or ceases to be in effect. Borrower shall pay the premiums required to obtain coverage substantially equivalent to the mortgage insurance previously in affect, at a cost substantially equivalent to the cost to Borrower of the mortgage insurance previously in effect, from an alternate mortgage insurer approved by Lander. If substantially equivalent mortgage insurence coverage is not svallable. Borrower shall pay to Lender each month a sum equal to one-twelfth of the yearly mortgage insurance premium being peld by Borrower when the insurance coverage lapsed or ceased to be in effect. Lender will accept, use and retain these payments as a loss reserve in lieu of mortgage insurance. Loss reserve payments may no longer be required, at the option of Lender, if mortgage Insurance coverage (in the amount and for the parked that Lender requires) provided by an insurer approved by Lender again becomes available and is obtained. Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain mortgage insurance in effect, or to provide a loss reserve, until the requirement of mortgage insurance ands in accordance with any written agreement between Borrower and Lender or applicable law.

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- Condemnation. The proceeds of any award or claim for damages, direct or consequential, in connection with any condemnation or other taking of the Property, or any part thereof, or for conveyance in lieu of condemnation, are hereby sesigned and shall be paid to Lender, subject only to the rights of the holder of any Approved Senior Security Instrument. Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of such proceeds which does not pay the principal sum secured by this Security Instrument in full, shall not extend or postpone the due data of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of auch
- Sorrower Not Released; Forbearance By Lender Not a Walver. Extension of the time for payment or modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Security instrument granted by Lender to any successor in Interest of Borrower shell not operate to release the liability of the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Lender shall not be required to commence proceedings against any successor in interest or refuse to extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument by reason of any demand made by the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in Interest. Any forbentance by Lender in exercising any right or remady shall not be a waiver of or preclude the exercise of any right or remady.
- Successors and Assigns Bound; Joint and Several Liability; Co-signers. The covenants and agreements of this Security instrument shall bind and benefit the successors and assigne of Lender and Borrower. subject to the provisions of paragraph 19(B). Borrower's covenants and agreements shall be joint and several. Any Borrower who co-signs this Security Instrument but does not execute the Note: (a) is co-signing this Security instrument only to mortgage, grant and convey that Borrower's interest in the Property under the terms of this Security Instrument; (b) is not personally obligated to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument; and lot agrees that Lender and any other Borrower may agree to extend, modify, forbear or make any accommodations with regard to the terms of this Security Instrument or the Note without that Borrower's consent.
- Loan Charges. If the loan secured by this Security Instrument is subject to a law or regulation which sets muslimum loan charges, and that law or regulation is finally interpreted so that the interest or other loan charges collected or to be collected in connection with the loan exceed the permitted limits, then: (a) any such loan charge shall be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the charge to the permitted limit; and (h) any sums already collected from Borrower which exceeded permitted limits will be refunded to Borrower. Lender may choose to make this refund by reducing the principal owed under the Note or by making a direct payment to Sorrower, if a refund reduces principal, the reduction will be treated as a partial prepayment without any prepayment charge under the Note.
- Notices. Any notice to Borrower provided for in this Security Instrument shall be given by defivering it or by mailing it by first class mail unless applicable law requires use of another method. The notice shall be directed to the Property Address or any other address Borrower designates by notice to Lender. Any notice to Lander shall be given by first class mail to Lander's address stated herein or any other address Lander designates by notice to Borrower. Any notice provided for in this Security Instrument shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given as provided in this paragraph.
- Governing Law; Severability. This Security Instrument shall be governed by federal law and the law of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located. In the event that any provision or clause of this Security Instrument or the Note conflicts with applicable law, such conflict shall not affect other provisions of this Security instrument or the Note which can be given effect without the conflicting provision. To this end the provisions of this Security instrument and the Note are declared to be asverable.
- Borrower's Copy. Borrower acknowledges receipt of a conformed copy of a photocopy of the Note and of this Security Instrument.
- Sale of Note; Change of Loan Servicer. The Note or a partial interest in the Note itogether with this Security Instrument) may be sold one or more times without prior notice to Borrower. A sale may result in a changs in the entity (known as the "Loan Servicer") that collects monthly payments due under the Note and this Security instrument. There also may be one or more changes of the Loan Servicer unrelated to a sale of the Note. If there is a change of the Loan Servicer, Borrower will be given written notice of the change in accordance with paragraph 14 above and applicable law. The notice will state the name and address of the new Loan Servicer and the address to which payments should be made. The notice will also contain any other information required by epplicable law.
- Hazardous Substances. Borrower shell not cause or permit the presence, use, disposel, storage, or release of any Hezerdous Substances on or in the Property. Borrower shall not do, nor allow anyone else to do, anything affecting the Property that is in violation of any Environmental Lew. The preceding two sentences shall not apply to the presence, use, or storage on the Property of small quantities of Hezerdous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate to normal residential uses and to maintenance of the Property.

Borrower shell promptly give Lander written notice of any investigation, claim, demand, lewault or other action by any governmental or regulatory agency or private party invelving the Property and any Hazardous Substance of Environmental Law of which Borrower has actual knowledge. If Borrower learns, or is notified by any governmental or regulatory authority, that any removal or other remediation of any Hazardous Substance affecting the Property is necessary, Borrower shall promotly take all necessary remedial actions in accordance with Environmental Law.

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As used in this paragraph 18, "Hazardous Substances" are those substances defined as toxic or hazardous substances by Environmental Law and the following substances: gasoline, kerosene, other flammable or toxic particleum products, toxic pesticides and harbicides, volstile solvents, materials containing estestors or formeldehyde, and radioactive materials. As used in this paragraph 18, "univoramental Law" means federal lewe and laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located that caleta to health, safety or anytomental protection.

19. Lender's Rights if Borrowar Falls To Keep Premises. If any of the events or conditions described in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D) or (E) of this paragraph 19 shall occur, Lender may require that Borrower pay immediately the entire amount remaining unpaid under the Note and this Security instrument. This requirement will be called "immediate payment in full". If Lender requires immediate payment in full, Lender may invoke the STATUTORY POWER OF SALE and any other remadies permitted by applicable law. Lender shall be entitled to collect all expenses incurred by Lender in pursuing the remedies provided in this paragraph 19, including, but not limited to, researche attornays" less and costs of title evidence.

If Lender invokes the STATUTORY POWER OF SALE, Lender shell mail a copy of a notice of sale to Borrower, and to other persons prescribed by applicable taw, in the manner provided by applicable law. Lender shall publish the notice of sale, and the Property shell be sold in the manner prescribed by applicable law. Lender or its designee may purchase the Property at any sale. The proceeds of the sale shall be applied in the following order: (a) to all expenses of the sale, including but not limited to, reasonable strongys' (see; (b) all sums secured by this Security instrument; and (c) shy excess to the person or persons legally entitled to it.

Lender may require immediate payment in full under this paragraph 19 if:

- (A) Borrower fells to make any payment required by the Note saiths society instrument when it is due; or
- (B) All or any part of the Property, or any interest in the Property is sold or transferred for, if Borrower is not a natural person, if a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred) without Lender's prior written consent; or
- (C) On application of Lender two or more insurance companies licensed to do business in the state in which the Property is located refuse to issue policies insuring the buildings and improvements on the Property; or
- (D) Borrower (alls to make any required payment when due on any Approved Serilor Security instrument, or if Borrower (alls to keep any other promise or agreement contained in any Approved Serilor Security instrument; or
- (E) Borrower falls to keep any other promise or agreement in this Security Instrument within the time set forth, or if no time is set forth in the Security Instrument, then within the time set forth in the notice sent to Borrower by Lender, or if Borrower is otherwise in default under this Security Instrument, or if any of the representations and/or warranties made by Borrower in this Security Instrument are not true and correct in any metarial respect or are otherwise breached by Borrower.
- 20. Release. Upon payment of all sums secured by this Security Instrument, this Security Instrument shall become null and void, and Lender shall discharge this Security Instrument without charge to Borrower. Borrower shall pay any recordation costs.
- 21. Assignment of Rents: Appointment of Receiver; Lender in Possession. Borrower absolutely and unconditionally assigns and transfers to Lender all the rents and revenues ("Rents") of the Property, repardless of to whom the Rents of the Property are payable. Borrower authorizes Lender or Lender's agents to collect the Rents, and agrees that each tenant of the Property shall pay the Rents to Lender or Lender's agents. However, Borrower shall receive the Rents until its such time as Borrower has defaulted under the Security Instrument or Note and (ii) Lender has given notice to the tenant(s) that the Rents are to be paid to Lender or Lender's agent. This assignment of Rents constitutes on absolute assignment and not an assignment for additional security only.

Upon Borrower's default under or breach of the Security Instrument or the Note: (if all Rents received by Borrower shall be held by Borrower as trustee, for the benefit of Lender only, to be applied to the sums secured by the Security Instrument; (ii) Lender shall be entitled to collect and receive all of the Rents of the Property; (iii) Borrower agrees that each tenent of the Property shall pay all Rents due and unpaid to Lender or Lender's agents upon Lender's written demand to the tenent; (iv) unless applicable law provides otherwise, all Rents collected by Lender or Lender's agents shall be applied first to the costs of taking control of and managing the Property and collecting the Rents, including, but not limited to, attorney's tess, receiver's fees, premiums on receiver's bonds, repair and maintenance costs, insurance premiums, taxes, assessments and other charges on the Property, and then to the sums secured by the Security instrument; (v) Lender, Lender's agents or any judicially appointed receiver shall be liable to account for only those Rents actually received; and (vi) Lender shall be antitled to have a receiver appointed to take possession of end manage the Property and collect the Rents and profits derived from the Property without any showing as to the Inadequecy of the Property as security.

If the Rents of the Property are not sufficient to cover the costs of taking control of end managing the Property and of collecting the Rents, any funds expended by Lender for such purposes shall become indebtednes of Borrower to Lender secured by the Security Instrument pursuant to personant 7 of the Security Instrument.

Borrower represents and warrants that Borrower has not executed any prior assignment of the Rents lexcept in connection with an Approved Senior Security Instrument as defined in paragraph 2 of the Security Instrument) and has not and will not perform any act that would prevent Lander from exercising its rights under the paragraph.

Lender, or Lender's agents or a judicially appointed receiver, shell not be required to enter upon, take control of or maintain the Property before or efter any default by Borrower under the Security instrument or Note. However, Lender, or Lender's agents or a judicially appointed receiver, may do so at any time when a default by

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instrument and in any rider(s) executed by Borrower and recorded with it,

In Witness Whereof, Borrower has signed and sealed this Security Instrument.

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Borrower under the Security Interest or Note occurs. Any application of Nente shall not ours or wake any default or invalidate any other right or remedy of Lander. This sesignment of Rents of the Property shall terminate when all the sums secured by the Security instrument are irrevocably said in full.

Riders to this Security Instrument. If one or more riders are executed by Borrower and recorded together with this Becurity Instrument, the covenants and egreements of each such rider shall be incorporated into and shall amend and supplement the covenants and agreements of this Security Instrument as if the rider(s) were a pers of this Sepurity Instrument.

#### - REQUEST FOR NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE UNDER SENIOR MORTGAGES OR DEEDS OF TRUST .

Borrower and Lender request the holder of any mortgage or deed of trust or other lien or annumbrance which claims to have priority over this Security instrument lany of such a "senior len") to give notice to Lender, at Lender's eddress set forth on the lirst page of this Security Instrument, or at any other address for notice provided by Lender to such holder, of any default under any such senior lien and of any intended foreglosure, asie or other sation to enforce such senior lien. This request for notice is not intended, nor shall it constitute, an admission by the holder of this Security instrument that any mortgage, dead of trust or other lien or encumbrance has priority over this Security Instrument.

Sofrower has paid the following brokerage less, loan fees, points, finders' fees, origination less or similar charges in connection with this Security Instrument. None of these fees will be refunded to Borrower II Borrower makes a full or partial prepayment of the principal due under the Notesus.

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BY SIGNING BELOW, Borrower accepts and agrees to the terms and covenants contained in the Security

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each and all to me known and known to me to be the personis) executing the foresting instrument and acknowledged said execution to be his/her/their free act(s) and dead(s).  Notery Public  My Commission Expires:	
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# **EXHIBIT A**

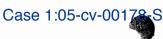
That certain lot or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, numbered Lot No. 21, as laid out and delinested on that certain plet or plan entitled "Sub-Division Fine, Butterfly Farms, Rast Avanue, Westerly, R. J. Soller 1 inch-s SF feet Nov. 22, 1971 Ecroca A. Emerson Civil Inglewhich and plan is on file in the office of the Tow Clerk, Mesterly, Rhode Island.

Being a portion of the same premises conveyed to these grantors by deed of Joseph Glordano, at als dated Jume 16, 1972 and recorded in the Land Evidence Records of said Town of Westerly in book 110 at page.

Reference to said deed being bereby had and made and the same is made a part hereof.

TOGETHER with the right to use all rights-of-way, avanues, drives, roads, streets and lanes as same are shown, laid out, delineated and designated as the above-mentioned plat and are now or may be hereafter opened, for all purposes for which street and highways are customarily seed in said Town of Westerly, antil such time as said rights-of-way, avenues, drives, roads, streets and inose shall be accepted by the Said Town of Westerly or other sompetens authority, as public ways.

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#### ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE

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#### to 151 EAST AVENUE

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111 WEST MONROS, LOWER LEVEL B2
CHICAGO, IL 60603. dated August 22nd, 1997

WITNESS my hand and scal this 25th day of February, 1994.

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY	) )ss:.
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# Assignment of Mortgage

HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, AS TRUSTEE FOR CHAMPION HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 1997-2

111 WEST MONROE, LOWER LEVEL 2 CHICAGO IL., 60603

holder of a mortgage by DANIEL L. POKORSKI A/K/A DAN L. POKORSKI & ROSEMARIE A. POKORSKI A/K/A ROSE

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to HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, AS TRUSTE covering real property located at: 151 EAST AVENUE WESTERLY, RI 02891	EE FOR CHAMPION HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 1997-2 and
claim secured thereby to CHAMPION MORTGAGE, A D	deration paid, assigns said mortgage and the note and
WITNESS my hand and seal this 8th day	of April, 2004
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COUNTY OF ) ss:	
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#### ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE

Champion Mortgage Co. Inc. 20 Waterview Boulevard Parsippany, NJ 07054 holder of a mortgage by DANIEL L. POKORSKI AKA DAN L. POKORSKI & ROSEMARIE A. POKORSKI AKA ROSE A. POKORSKI, his wife

#### to 151 EAST AVENUE

WESTERLY, RI 02891

dated August 22nd, 1997 recorded in the Records of Deeds in WESTERLY in Rhode Island Book No. 600, at Page 231, for consideration paid, assigns said mortgage and the note and claim secured thereby to HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, AS TRUSTEE FOR CHAMPION HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 1997-2 111 WEST MONROE, LOWER LEVEL B2 CHICAGO, IL 60603.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 25th day of February, 1998.

Name: ELIZABETH D. PERRITT

Champion Mortgage Co. Inc.

Title: Asst. Treasurer

#### CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY )	
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COUNTY OF MORRIS )	
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	on behalf of Champion Mortgage Co. Inc.
	and that said ELIZABETH D. PERRITT acknowledged
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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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SUPERIOR COURT

CHAMPION MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF KEY BANK, USA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO

CHAMPION MORTGAGE CO., INC.,

PLAINTIFF

V. : C.A. No. WC 04-0151

DANIEL L. POKORSKI, ALIAS; ROSEMARIE
A. POKORSKI, ALIAS; COMMISSIONER

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; R.I.

DIVISION OF TAXATION; CAROL SMITH;

FITZ-SAR, LLC; VERMONT STUDENT

ASSISTANCE CORP.; PELLIGRINO

LANDSCAPING & TREE SERVICE;

PETROLEUM HEAT & POWER CO., INC.;

WESTERLY HOSPITAL; VALERIE BUROS;

AND DIANA W. SARGENT,

DEFENDANTS

# ANSWER OF DEFENDANT TAX ADMINISTRATOR

#### **PARTIES**

Now comes R. Gary Clark, Tax Administrator for the State of Rhode Island (Tax Administrator) and head of the Rhode Island Division of Taxation (Tax Division), a named defendant, by and through his attorney, to answer the complaint of the Plaintiff, Champion Mortgage, a Division of Key Bank, USA National Association, as Successor in Interest to Champion Mortgage Co., Inc. (Champion Mortgage) as follows:

1., 2, 3 & 4. The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.

5. Admitted.

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6., 7., 8., 9., 10, 11, 12. & 13. The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.

# **FACTS**

- 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, & 19. The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.
- 20(a). & 20(b). The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.
- 20(c). Admitted with Explanation. Admitted insofar as stated but by way of explanation and clarification, Tax Division records show that statutory lien no. 199801027 dated November 10, 1998 issued against Daniel L. Pokorski (SSN and Rosemarie A. Pokorski (SSN processes) of Westerly Rhode Island for delinquent state income taxes. A six (6) year renewal of this statutory lien issued on October 24, 2004.
- 20(d)., 20(e)., 20(f). & 20(g). The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.
- 20(h). Admitted with Explanation. Admitted insofar as stated but by way of explanation and clarification, Tax Division records show that statutory lien no. 200100258 dated April 3, 2001 issued against Daniel L. Pokorski (SSN and Rosemarie A. Pokorski (SSN section ) of Westerly Rhode Island for delinquent state income taxes.

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20 (i)., 20 (j)., 20 (k)., 20 (l)., 20 (m). & 20 (n). The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.

20 (o). Admitted with Explanation. Admitted insofar as stated but by way of explanation and clarification, Tax Division records show that statutory lien no.

200302586 dated October 21, 2003 issued against Daniel L. Pokorski (SSN and Rosemaric A. Pokorski (SSN of Westerly Rhode Island for delinquent state income taxes.

# **COUNT I: DECLARATORY RELIEF**

- 21. The Tax Administrator incorporates by reference and reiterates his answers to paragraphs 1 through 20 above as if each and every one of those answers were more fully set forth herein.
- 22., 23. & 24. The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in these paragraphs and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.

By way of further answer, the Tax Administrator responds to the Plaintiff's prayers for relief set forth in Count I as follows:

(A) For the record, the Tax Administrator voices general objection to the Plaintiff's request for a restraining order insofar as the Superior Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over the enforcement of state tax laws and the collection of state taxes. As a practical matter, the Plaintiff's request for injunctive relief with regards to the Tax Administrator or the Tax Division is most insofar as a commencement of an interpleader action immunizes mortgagees from liability to the Tax Division for the tax obligations of 3rd party mortgagors due to their receipt of surplus mortgage foreclosure proceeds.

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(B) The Tax Administrator is without objection to a release and discharge of liability for the Plaintiff and its legal counsel relating to this cause of action.

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- (C) Subject to the Court's review and approval, the Tax Administrator is without objection to this Court awarding the Plaintiff reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by commencing the within action with said sums to be paid out of the surplus forcelosure proceeds.
- (D) In the absence of specific information regarding the nature, terms or amount of "such further relief" that the Plaintiff may seek, Tax Administrator objects to this prayer for relief.

# COUNT II: INTERPLEADER

- 25. The Tax Administrator incorporates by reference and reiterates his answers to paragraphs 1 through 24 above as if each and every one of those answers were more fully set forth herein.
- 26. Admitted in part and denied in part. Admitted in part insofar as neither the Tax Administrator nor the Tax Division have colluded with anyone regarding the commencement of this action, agreed to indemnify anyone with regards to this action, or requested that anyone commence this action. Denied in part as the Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the averments in this paragraphs as to the other named defendants and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.
- 27. The Tax Administrator is without sufficient information and belief to answer the avenuents in this paragraph and leaves the Plaintiff to its proof thereof.

By way of further answer, the Tax Administrator responds to the Plaintiff's prayers for relief set forth in Count II as follows:

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(A) The Tax Administrator is without objection to any order of this Court requiring the defendants to intemplead and prove their respective claims to the surplus foreclosure proceeds.

(B). The Tax Administrator is without objection to an order of this Court authorizing and directing the Plaintiff to deposit with the Registry of the Court surplus foreclosure sale proceeds; minus its reasonable attorneys fees and costs.

# DEFENSE

As this Honorable Court is aware, the Superior Court is without subject matter jurisdiction over state tax matters and the exhaustion of administrative remedies is an essential prerequisite for judicial review of any state tax matter. R.I.G.L. §§ 8-8-8(6);8-8-24. Owner-Operators Independent Drivers Ass'n v. State, 541 A.2d 69 (R.I. 1988); International Packaging Corp. v. Mayer, 715 A.2d 636 (R.I. 1998). Insofar as the within action is limited to determining the extent or priority of the parties' claims in the surplus foreclosure proceeds, the Tax Administrator is without jurisdictional and procedural objection. However, in the event that subsequent proceedings may entail a collateral attack upon the validity of a state tax liability or the propriety of the state tax lien arising thereunder, the gravamen of this action would become a state tax dispute. Accordingly, out of an abundance of caution, the Tax Administrator preserves his rights by raising the affirmative defenses of lack of subject matter jurisdiction, FRCP 12(b)(1); failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted, FRCP 12(b)(6); Statute of Limitations, res judicata and collateral estoppel.

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Respectfully submitted,

R. GARY CLARK, TAX ADMINISTRATOR

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#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that I caused a true copy of the within Answer to be mailed, first class, postage prepaid, to Charles A. Lovell, Esq. and Lisa M. Martinelli, Esq. of PARTRIDGE SNOW & HAHN, LLP at 180 South Main Street in Providence, RI 02903 on this 30th day of March, 2005.

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Vs.

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DANIEL POKORSKI a/k/a DAN L. POŁORSKI, ROSEMARIE A. POKORSKI a/k/ i ROSE A. POKORSKI, COMMISSIONER INTERNAL REVENUE SEF VICE, STATE OF RHODE ISLAND DIVISION OF TAXATION, CAROL SMITH, FITZ-SAR, LLC, VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION. PELLEGRINO LANDSCAPING & TREE SER VICE, PETROLEUM HEAT & POWER CO. INC. d/b/a DeBLOIS OIL COMPANY, THI: WESTERILY HOSPITAL, VALERIE BUROS and DIANA W. SARGENT,

Defendants

#### ANSWER AND CROSS CLAIM OF FITZ-SAR, LLC.

## Answer of Fitz-Sar, LLC

- 1. Defendant, Fitz-Sar, LLC, admits that its principle place is located at 11 Memor al Bou evard, Newport, Rhode Island as set forth in paragraph 7 of the complaint but denies that it is a Rhode Island corporation and states that it is a limited liability company duly organized under the laws of the State of Rhode Island.
- 2. Defendant, Fitz-Sar, LLC, is without information sufficient to form the truth of the remaining allegations of the complaint.

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## Cross Claim

- Defendant, Fitz-Sar, LLC, obtained an execution against the interest of Daniel 3. Pokorski and Rosemarie Pokorski which said execution was filed on November 28, 2000 in the Land Evidence Records of the Town of Westerly.
- 4. In addition to the Defendant, Fitz-Sar, LLC, there are a number of other holders of liens on the premises described in the complaint as set forth in paragraph 20 of the complaint.
- 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant, Fitz-Sar, LLC, is entitled to a portion of the proceeds in accordance to its priority of liens.
- Now, therefore, the Defendant, request judgment that a portion of the proceers remaining from the mortgage foreclosure be paid to the Defendant in satisfaction of its lien and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Fitz-Sar, LLC By their Attorney,

James F. Hyman, Esquire R.I. Bar No. 2105 Newport Law, P.C. 11 Memorial Boulevard Newport, RI 02840 (401) 849-1510

#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on April 4, 2004 I mailed by regular mail a copy of the Answer and Cross Claim of Fitz-Sar, LLC to both Charles A. Lovell and Lisa M. Martinelli, Fartridge Snow & Hahn, 180 South Main Street, Providence; Rhode Island 02903

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